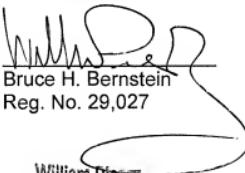


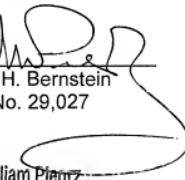
REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to examination of the above-identified patent application. The present amendment to the Abstract deletes reference to element numbers therein, and revises the text to place it in better U.S. Form. No prohibited new matter has been added.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

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